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| This application is abandoned in view of:  |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| I. ☑ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Offic  | e letter mailed on 19 May 2005.                             |                       |                    |  |  |
| (a) A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Neperiod for reply (including a total extension of time of  | Mailing or Transmission dated<br>month(s)) which expired on | <u> </u>              | •                  |  |  |
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| (d) ⊠ No reply has been received.  |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee an from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-8  |   | the statutory period  | I of three months  |  |  |
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| (b) The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balanc  | e of \$ is due.   |                       |                    |  |  |
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| (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.   |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| 3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).  |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| (a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.   |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.  |   |                       |                    |  |  |
| The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the the applicants.   | e attorney or agent of record, the ass                      | ignee of the entire i | nterest, or all of |  |  |
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| 6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interfer of the decision has expired and there are no allowed clai  |   | se the period for see | king court review  |  |  |
| 7. The reason(s) below:  |   |                       |                    |  |  |
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